

SOLICITATION # 19BN1521Q0010 – SCHOOL SHUTTLE ESCORT - QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. Paragraph 1 page 4: Does it mean that the round-trip price should be proposed for one child? And not for the group as before?

A: Price should be proposed per rider per round trip. This is a change from previous solicitations for this service in order to align with Department of State standards for reimbursement of school transportation costs.

2. Paragraphs 5,6,7 page 6: the amount of US \$10,000 is it considered as salary cap for one contractor or for all the contractors hired? Is the same amount considered as the salary cap for base and option years (2 years contract/ period of performance)? Or only for one year?

A: The \$10,000 should not be construed as a cap or pricing guide. The contractor is not eligible for a salary. If only one contractor performed this service, it's possible they could be paid over \$10,000 over the life of the contract. Therefore, this solicitation is posted publicly.

3. Paragraph (a) Order limitation page 27: when the government requires services covered by this contract in an amount of less than \$150, the government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the contractor obligated to furnish those services under the contract. I don't understand this part.

A: This standard clause defines order limitations.

4. Paragraph (2) 25.204-23 page 14: prohibition on contracting for hardware, software and services developed or provided by Kapersky Lab.....Does it concern antivirus used on computer?

A: This concerns a prohibition on all hardware, software and services developed or provided by Kapersky Lab. This means if a response to this solicitation contains the use of such products, it will not be considered for award.

5. What is Base Year?

A: Base year is the first year of the contract. The duration is generally 12 months maximum. For the purpose of school shuttle escort it will be the duration of the school year.

6. What is Option Year?

A: Option year 1 is the second year of the contract. It is called option because there is no guarantee at the beginning that the Government will use the option year. It is the unilateral right of the Embassy to exercise the option or not.